



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT

FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION

CARNIVAL & FAIR PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Article 1, section 105 of the Los Angeles County Fire Code states... a permit shall be obtained from the Fire Prevention Division prior to engaging in the following: ... to conduct a carnival or fair. See Article 25. Additional requirements may be applicable.

Location, Access and Parking Location of tents, canopies, temporary membrane structures and fire access roads shall comply with Article 32. Access roads shall have an unobstructed width of not less than 20 feet and an unobstructed vertical clearance clear to the sky.

Fire Appliances Fire appliances shall be provided for the entire midway, as required by the chief. Maximum travel distance to a portable fire extinguisher shall not exceed 75 feet.

Electrical Equipment Electrical equipment and installations shall comply with the Electrical Code.

Concession Stands Concession stands used for cooking shall have a minimum 10 feet clearance on two sides and shall not be located within 10 feet of amusement rides or devices. Concession stands shall be inspected by the Fire Department prior to opening. All gas-operated appliances used for cooking shall be UL listed. All fuel cylinders, tanks and containers shall be located outside the concession stands and secured to prevent tipping over. Provide a minimum of one 2A10BC portable fire extinguisher within 30 feet of cooking areas. (Provide one 40BC portable fire extinguisher where deep-fat fryers are used.) All weeds, grass, brush, trash and other combustibles shall be kept not less than 10 feet from LP-gas tanks or containers.

Internal Combustion Engines Fuel tanks shall be of adequate capacity to permit uninterrupted operation during normal operating hours. Refueling shall be conducted only when ride is not in use. Internal combustion engines shall be isolated from contact with the public by physical guards, fencing or an enclosure. A minimum of one 2A10BC portable fire extinguisher shall be provided. Generators and other internal combustion engines shall be separated from temporary membrane structures, tents and canopies by a minimum of 20 feet.

Tents and Canopies Tents and canopies shall comply with Article 32 of the Fire Code. Tents in excess of 200 square feet or canopies in excess of 400 square feet require a permit from the Fire Department.

Provide the Fire Department a letter of description outlining in detail your proposed fair/festival. Provide a plot plan of the event and indicate on the plan the locations and dimensions of the following: all concession stands, all public rides (denote electrical or gasoline operated), all tent locations (tent locations shall comply with Article 32), generators, flammable and/or combustible liquid storage, fire department access to within 150 feet of all tents, concession stands and structures, fencing and barricades.

The determination for requiring a Fire Safety Officer will be made upon reviewing the plot plans, event location and projected public attendance. Additional permits may be required from building & safety, planning and health departments. Additional permits from the Fire Department may be required for public assembly and LP-gas use.

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Requirements _____

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